REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The claims are being amended at the invitation of the Examiner. The independent claims have been amended to refer to the "maintained communication links" such that they are "once established, maintained throughout a session".

An antecedent issue has been corrected in claim 2. Finally, in claims 22 and 25, amendments have been made to make it clear that the maintained communication links are wireless links, and to refer to the telephone stations consistently.

In view of the fact that all the amendments requested by the Examiner have been made, favourable consideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

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